

with which the voter desires to have himself recorded as affiliated. It shall be the duty of the Board of Registry to explain to each voter that the statement of such party affiliation does not bind him to vote for the candidate of such party at any given election; also that he has the right to decline to state any party affiliations; but that no one who is not recorded upon the registry as affiliated with a particular political party will be qualified to vote at subsequent primary elections of said political party. Whenever a voter declines to state his party affiliations the word "Declined" shall be written opposite his name in such column, so that there shall be written in such column opposite the name of every registered voter either his party affiliation or the word "Declined." Each and every voter as he appears at the first primary election at which he votes subsequent to April 13, 1914, shall, before he is permitted to vote at said primary, state to which party he is inclined and to which party he desires to have himself recorded as affiliated, and the Board of Registers, then sitting as judges of election, shall thereupon and at once enter in the column provided for party affiliations the name of the political party to which the voter is inclined and with which he desires to affiliate, and in said primary and all primary elections thereafter held any person so registered as affiliated with a given political party shall have the right to vote the official ballot of that party and of no other.

There shall be annually a sitting of the registration officers in and throughout Dorchester County on the day which shall be the fifth day before the day of the primary election, excluding the day of the primary election in the computation of said fifth day prior thereto, on which day all of said registration officers shall sit from 8 o'clock A. M. until 8 o'clock P. M. in Dorchester County for the purpose of revising the registration lists by adding new voters, making transfers, etc., so that fair and full opportunity may be afforded to all voters, duly qualified, to take part in the primary elections. No person or voter after having had his affiliation registered shall be permitted to make any change in his party affiliation unless the same shall be made at least six months prior to the day of the primary election.

1908, ch. 737, secs. 160 E & G. 1910, ch. 741, sec. 160F (p. 117).

1912, ch. 2, sec. 160F.

183. The books of registry shall be furnished to the judges at each polling place by the respective Boards of Supervisors of Elections, and shall be used at such elections in the same way as they are now used at municipal, county, judicial, congressional, or general elections held under the provisions of said Article 33. In the books of registry now in use, or which may be hereafter prepared for use in Baltimore City, or which may be prepared for use in the several counties a column headed "Voted at Primary Election," shall be used; in each column such word "Voted" or letter "V" shall be hereafter entered at the pri-